

Fish & Wildlife Self-Assessment Upper Klamath Lake Watershed

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Oregon CSP Fish & Wildlife Self-Assessment

Please fill out the worksheet on the following two pages to complete the CSP Self-Assessment process. These questions will help you determine whether you have addressed wildlife concerns on your operation. Once you have completed the questionnaire, please sign and date page two. Bring this form, along with your completed CSP Self-Assessment and any necessary farm records and documentation, to your CSP interview with your local NRCS office.

	Questions	Yes	No	N/A
1.	Do you have a stream (intermittent &/or perennial) within the boundaries of the agricultural operation you wish to enroll? If no, skip the following section and move to section 2.			
	Channel Condition: Is it a natural channel or is there evidence of past channelization, straightening, diking or down cutting, but with significant recovery of natural channel? (If channel recovery is not within your control answer NA)			
	Flooding: During high flows does the stream overtop its banks more than once in a four year time period? (If restricting the frequency of flooding is not within your control answer NA)			
	Riparian Vegetation: Does natural vegetation extend away from the stream at least twice the bankfull width of the channel on both sides of the stream or on the side of the stream that you control or if your stream is 50 feet or wider at bankfull width, is there at least 100 feet of riparian vegetation?			
	Riparian Areas: Are riparian areas managed to control activities such as grazing, cutting of trees, removal of logs from the stream and installation of push-up dams, etc.?			X
	Bank Stability: Are stream banks stable or moderately stable with only small areas of erosion?			X
	Water Appearance: Is the water clear with only occasional cloudiness following a storm event, little algae growth and no oil sheen on water surface? (If water coming onto your property is cloudy and you do not add to the condition answer NA)			
	Barriers to Fish Movement: On the stream section you control is there unlimited access from man-made barriers both upstream and downstream to both juvenile and adult fish and seasonal water withdrawals do not inhibit movement within the stream?			X
	Canopy Cover: If you were able to look downward onto the water's surface, is the water more than 50 percent shaded? (If your stream is greater than 50 feet wide or woody vegetation is naturally absent answer NA)			
	Diverted Water: If water is diverted to the enrolled land from a stream with listed or proposed, threatened and/or endangered fish species or designated critical habitat is it screened to exclude fish according to Federal or State guidelines? (Answer NA if no listed threatened or endangered fish species)			

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	Questions	Yes	No	N/A			
2.	Do you have rangeland in the agricultural operation you wish to enroll? If no, skip the following section and move to section 3.						
	Grazing: Do you practice prescribed grazing? (refer to Self-Assessment Workbook for definition of prescribed grazing)						
	Plant Community: Is the range plant community a mixture of grasses and forbs and woody vegetations where it is naturally occurring?						
	Sage Brush Community: Does the rangeland in the offered area have a sage brush canopy cover between 10-35 percent?			\times			
	Grass Cover: Is the average height of grass cover (either residue or green growth) from April 15 to July 1 five inches or greater?						
	Water Availability: Is water available to wildlife within 1 1/2 of a mile?			\bowtie			
3.	Do you have pasture in the agricultural operation you wish to enroll? If no, skip the following section and move to section 4.			X			
	Diverted Water: If water is diverted to the enrolled land from a stream with listed or proposed, threatened and/or endangered fish species or designated critical habitat is it screened to exclude fish according to Federal or State guidelines? (Answer NA if no listed threatened or endangered fish species)						
	Cover: On your agricultural operation is the distance from the center of the largest pasture to undisturbed cover (i.e. grass and/or forest or shrubs) less than 1,800 feet from April 1 to July 15?			X			
	Water Availability: Is there water available to wildlife within 3/4 of a mile?			\times			
4.	Do you have cropland in the agricultural operation you wish to enroll? If no, skip this section and move to section 5.			X			
	Diverted Water: If water is diverted to the enrolled land from a stream with listed or proposed, threatened and/or endangered fish species or designated critical habitat is it screened to exclude fish according to Federal or State guidelines? (Answer NA if no listed threatened or endangered fish species)						
	Cover: On your operation is the distance from the center of the largest field to undisturbed cover (i.e., grass and/or woody vegetation) less than 1,800 feet from April 1 to July 15?			X			
	Water Availability: Is there water available to wildlife within 3/4 of a mile?			\times			
5.	Is there undisturbed cover on at least 2 percent of the total area of your agricultural operation that is suitable for wildlife commonly found in the area?						
Landowner/Land Manager Signature: I certify that all information contained in this CSP Fish and Wildlife Habitat Self Assessment is accurate to the best of my knowledge.							
	PRINTED NAME SIGNATURE	-	DAT				

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